## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 900**

## By Pody

A RESOLUTION to honor Mitzi Smith on her appointment as assistant principal of Watertown Elementary School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting for the members of this General Assembly to salute those citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as educational leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such distinguished and deserving individual is Mitzi Smith, a long-time teacher who was recently named assistant principal of Watertown Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, a teacher with twenty-four years of experience, Ms. Smith taught sixth grade, seventh grade, Special Education, Pre-K, and the SEEK program for gifted students at Mt. Juliet Elementary School, Gladeville Elementary School, and Watertown Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Mt. Juliet High School, Mitzi Smith earned her bachelor's degree from Middle Tennessee State University and her master's degree from Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mitzi Smith was named Teacher of the Year twice at Gladeville Elementary School and once at Watertown Elementary School, and received the Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith strives to instill self-confidence, a love of learning, and a sense of community in her students; and

WHEREAS, Mitzti Smith enjoys the loving companionship of her husband, Kevin, and their two children: and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, the robustness of our economy, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication and success of people like Mitzi Smith who use their considerable talents and abilities to create and maintain effective, wholesome learning environments for Tennessee's youth and who commit to preparing them for their futures; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to acknowledge Mitzi Smith for her many contributions to the students of Watertown Elementary School and to applaud her ascension to the position of assistant principal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby applaud the appointment of Mitzi Smith as assistant principal of Watertown Elementary School and extend our best wishes to her for success in all aspects of her vital leadership role.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.